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In re application of

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For: COLORING AGENT AMOUNT RECORDING APPARATUS, COLORING AGENT  
MATERIALS COST PROCESSING APPARATUS, COLORING AGENT CARTRIDGE,  
AND COLLECTION OF THE CARTRIDGE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

FIG. 4, part (a) is an explanatory view schematically showing a head cleaning mechanism in the first embodiment;

FIG 4, part (b) is an explanatory view showing a nozzle surface of a print head in the first embodiment;

FIG. 9, part (a) and FIG. 9, part (b) are explanatory views each showing an example of a discount display screen in the second embodiment;

FIG 32, part (a) and FIG 32, part (b) are explanatory views of a color ink cartridge according to the seventh embodiment;

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## APPENDIX

### VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification is changed as follows:

Please delete the fifth full paragraph on page 14 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

~~FIG. 4(a)~~ FIG. 4, part (a) is an explanatory view schematically showing a head cleaning mechanism in the first embodiment;

Please delete the first full paragraph on page 15 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

~~FIG. 4(b)~~ FIG 4, part (b) is an explanatory view showing a nozzle surface of a print head in the first embodiment;

Please delete the sixth full paragraph on page 15 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

~~FIG. 9(a) and FIG. 9(b)~~ FIG. 9, part (a) and FIG. 9, part (b) are explanatory views each showing an example of a discount display screen in the second embodiment;

Please delete the fifth full paragraph on page 18 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

~~FIG. 32(A) and FIG. 32(B)~~ FIG 32, part (a) and FIG 32, part (b) are explanatory views of a color ink cartridge according to the seventh embodiment;